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Cross Country

On Wednesday, some children in Year 5 and 6 competed in their first cross country race at Hart Field in Rugby. We were so proud of how well each child did and we want to wish them luck



for their next two races which they will be competing in over the next few weeks. Lots of the children found this challenging but they showed determination and resilience and we are so proud of them. Thank you to all of the parents/carers who took the children and to Miss Wilson and Miss Lockey for supporting them too!



Poem on kindness

One of our fabulous year 4s has independently written a beautiful poem based on one of our values of kindness. We thought it was so amazing and thought - provoking that we wanted to share it with our school community. We hope you love it as much as us.

Kindness

*I can choose to be kind,
 Each and Everyday.
 I can choose to be kind,
 To everyone, in every way*

*When I am kind to others,
 I make the world a little brighter.
 When I am kind to others,
 I make my heart a little lighter.*

*So plant a seed of kindness,
 And watch the world bloom.
 And together we'll chase away,
 All of the darkness and the gloom.*

By Saanvi, aged 9

Stars of the Week

Reception

Giraffes:
 Spencer
Zebras:
 Rayelle

Year One

Hedgehogs
 Aurora
Owls:
 Sofia
Rabbits:
 Holly

Year Two

Orcas:
 Billy
Penguins:
 Freddie
Seals:
 Tessa

Year Three

Crocodiles:
 George
Kangaroos:
 Stephen
Turtles:
 Arya

Year Four

Bears:
 Sienna
Eagles:
 Lucas
Raccoons:
 Isla W-L

Year Five

Pandas:
 Ellen
Tigers:
 Sienna F

Year Six

Jaguars:
 Harleen
Panthers:
 Kesavan

Head Teacher Award

Joe (Yr 6)

World Book Day 2023

As part of our mission to promote and engage children in reading, RFPS will be celebrating **World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March**. As part of our celebration, we would like to invite the children to come into school dressed up as their favourite book character, alongside bringing their favourite book into school to read with their 'Reading Buddy'. These books should be named, if possible. **We continue to encourage home-made and low-cost costumes**. Below are some fun, easy home-made costume ideas that you and your child could make together.

The BFG: using paper plates. Burglar Bill: using a paper mask. Matilda: blue dress and red headband.



Handa's surprise: carrying a fruit bowl

Mr Bump: blue t shirt and bandages

Good night Mr Tom: coat and a flat cap

Harry and his bucket full of dinosaurs: blue t shirt and carrying a bucket of dinosaurs

Snow White: blue headband and carrying an apple

Please note that it is not compulsory for your child to dress up if they do not wish to. Throughout the day, the children will take part in a variety of fun book related activities. We look forward to celebrating World Book Day on the 2nd of March!

Book sale

Friends of Rugby Free are having a book sale at school on this day, where all children can buy a pre-loved book. These books will all be on sale for 50p.



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£1 Book Vouchers

Your child will shortly be receiving a £1 Book Voucher to celebrate World Book Day. The redemption period for the £1 book tokens is from Thursday 16th February until Sunday 26th March 2023. You can spend the voucher at the following retailers: Hunts Book Store, Asda, Morrisons, Sainsburys, Tesco, The Works, Waterstones and WHSmith. To find your nearest participating bookseller, follow this link and insert your postcode. <https://www.worldbookday.com/participating-retailers/> We hope you enjoy spending your book vouchers!

Safer Internet Day

This Tuesday was Safer Internet Day, and the theme was 'Want to Talk about it?'. The aim of the day was to talk about our online lives with our friends and adults. We completed lots of different activities and spent lots of time discussing our favourite apps, games and uses for the internet, whilst also sharing tips on how to stay safe. We have encouraged the children to continue the conversations we have been having at home, advice and support on this can be found on last week's newsletter.



Reception

It has been a great couple of weeks in Reception. As we have been celebrating people who help us, we have had many familiar faces into the class to talk about their jobs. We have had a cardiac physiologist, a nurse and a police detective so far and they have all been amazing! The children have asked some incredible questions and have even decided that they may like to do these jobs themselves in the future! We still have one more exciting visit on the way, and we are sure it'll be just as fantastic! Thank you to all the parents that have dedicated their time to coming in.



Friends of Rugby Free Primary (PTA)

We are relaunching Friends of Rugby Free Primary! We are holding our first meeting of 2023 and as a new committee we would love to see lots of new faces!

When: Monday 13th February at 19:30

Where: Brewers Fayre conservatory



We will be introducing our new committee, running through our ideas and plans for upcoming events, and asking for volunteers to help where they can (we would love to have lots of volunteers so everyone can help a little bit and we can deliver more for the children without asking for too much time from our members). We will also be using the time to get to know each other and start building a strong FRFPS for 2023.

Parents evenings Pre Loved Uniform sale:

Next Wednesday (15th) and Thursday (16th) will be the school parents evenings. We currently have a good supply of pre-loved school uniform which we will lay out for sale on both evenings. To help speed things up on the evening, we will add an honesty box next to the stall for anyone wishing to quickly grab any items for their children.

World Book Day book donations:

Thank you to all of the people who have donated books to our appeal so far. We are continuing to collect book donations for a World Book Day sale in the school on the 2nd March. If you have any books in a good condition and suitable for primary aged children bring them in!

We will place a collection box in the bike shelter this week, please feel free to add any books you no longer need into this box so we can share them with new children for a second life. We have a good collection of books for younger children and infants, but would really love some books for the older children in our school.

Many thanks - Friends of Rugby Free Primary School



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Diary Dates (please check these every week as they are subject to change!)

15th Feb – Parents Evening (booking via MCAS now available)

16th Feb – Parents Evening (booking via MCAS now available)

20th Feb – 24th Feb – Half Term and **GAME ON** Holiday club at RFPS

28th Feb – Y5 Space Centre Trip

2nd Mar – World Book Day (dress up optional) + Book shop (50p)

7th Mar – Y1 Inspire Workshop (parents welcome)

8th Mar – International Women's Day

8th Mar – School photos (Class)

13th Mar – 17th Mar – British Science Week

15th Mar – Y3 Inspire Workshop (Parents welcome)

21st Mar – Y6 Transition to Secondary workshop (lead by RFSS)

22nd Mar – Reception Vision screening

Half term holiday club – GAME ON



Game On are operating a holiday club for Half term at RFPS from 20th – 24th February. To book your dates, please liaise with Mr Sheehan directly via the booking form which was attached to a previous newsletter on which you can find his contact details.

NO NUTS

A reminder that Rugby Free Primary is a NUT FREE school. Please can we ask that all packed lunches and snacks do NOT contain nuts. **We have children and staff in school with severe airborne nut allergies.** Thank you



COMPETITION TIME!

Calling all change makers

Tell us what being child friendly means to you and you could win £2,500 for your school

Submit a piece of media by email to childfriendly@warwickshire.gov.uk with your name, age, your school's name and address.
Closing date: 27 February

For more information visit www.childfriendlywarwickshire.co.uk

Warwickshire Rocks Presents

ROCKFEST

Saturday 20th May 2023 at 1pm
Nicholas Chamberlaine School,
Bulkington Road, Bedworth, CV12 9EA

in collaboration with **ASPIREinARTS**

Featuring performances from Build a Band and Bars, Beats and Banter

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DONATIONS FOR TURKEY

All of Sundays sales will be donated in full to aid the country & rescue teams from the effects of the recent earthquake

THIS SUNDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

10.00AM - 3.00PM

@NEVS KITCHEN - 37 REGENT STREET, RUGBY, CV212PE



WE ARE OPEN THIS SUNDAY

IN AID OF RECENT EVENTS, WE HAVE DECIDED TO OPEN THIS SUNDAY WITH ALL PROCEEDS AIDING TURKEY & SYRIA FROM THE DEVASTATION CAUSED BY THE RECENT EARTHQUAKE

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